

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
**ORDER WQ 2014-0056**

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**CITY OF SAN MARINO; CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES; CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE;  
CITY OF NORWALK; CITY OF ARTESIA; CITY OF TORRANCE; CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS;  
CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS; CITY OF CLAREMONT; CITY OF ARCADIA; CITIES OF DUARTE  
AND HUNTINGTON PARK; CITY OF GLENDORA; NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE  
COUNCIL, INC., HEAL THE BAY, AND LOS ANGELES WATERKEEPER; CITY OF  
GARDENA; CITY OF BRADBURY; CITY OF WESTLAKE VILLAGE; CITY OF LA MIRADA;  
CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH; CITY OF COVINA; CITY OF VERNON; CITY OF EL MONTE;  
CITY OF MONROVIA; CITY OF AGOURA HILLS; CITY OF PICO RIVERA; CITY OF  
CARSON; CITY OF LAWNDALE; CITY OF COMMERCE; CITY OF POMONA; CITY OF  
SIERRA MADRE; CITY OF DOWNEY; CITY OF INGLEWOOD; CITY OF LYNWOOD; CITY  
OF IRWINDALE; CITY OF CULVER CITY; CITY OF SIGNAL HILL; CITY OF REDONDO  
BEACH; AND CITY OF WEST COVINA**

For Review of  
Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R4-2012-0175  
Municipal Separate Sewer System (MS4) Discharges within the Coastal Watersheds of Los  
Angeles County, Except Those Discharges Originating from the City of Long Beach MS4

Issued by the  
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

***SWRCB/OCC FILE A-2236(a) through (kk)***

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BY THE BOARD:

On November 8, 2012, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Los Angeles Water Board) adopted Waste Discharge Requirements [Order No. R4-2012-0175](#) (MS4 Order) regulating MS4 discharges within the coastal watersheds of Los Angeles County. The forty petitioners listed above filed timely petitions seeking review of the MS4 Order with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board). These petitions were deemed complete and consolidated for review on July 8, 2013.<sup>1</sup>

State Water Board regulations generally require final disposition on petitions within 270 days of the date a petition is deemed complete (i.e., by April 4, 2014 in this case).<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 2054.

<sup>2</sup> Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 2050.5, subd. (a).

The State Water Board, however, needs additional time to review the large number of issues raised in the petitions.

When the State Water Board anticipates addressing a petition on the merits after the review period passes, it may indicate that it will review the matter on its own motion to avoid unnecessary or premature litigation. The State Water Board anticipates issuing an order addressing issues raised in the petitions, but not by April 4, 2014. Therefore, the State Water Board has decided to review the MS4 Order on its own motion.<sup>3</sup>

**ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the State Water Board will review Order No. R4-2012-0175 on its own motion.

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on April 1, 2014.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus  
Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber  
Board Member Tam M. Doduc  
Board Member Steven Moore  
Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

  
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Jeanine Townsend  
Clerk to the Board

<sup>3</sup> See Wat. Code, § 13320, subd. (a); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 2050.5, subd. (c).